WHY 10 ESSENTIALS?

On every trip!



When you need to answer the question: "Uh-oh, that wasn't planned, now what?"

Can you fix things and continue or retreat, or survive until help arrives?

And remember in winter, it's colder with much less daylight.

WHAT ARE THEY?

- 1. NAVIGATION
- 2. SUN PROTECTION
- 3. INSULATION
- 4. ILLUMINATION
- 5. FIRST AID SUPPLIES
- 6. FIRE

- 7. REPAIR/TOOLS/KNIFE
- 8. NUTRITION
- 9. HYDRATION
- 10.EMERGENCY SHELTER

AND WHAT'S DIFFERENT FOR WINTER?

NAVIGATION (& SIGNALING)



SUN PROTECTION



INSULATION

LAYERS, SPARE CLOTHES
WIND PROTECTION
WATERPROOF OUTER LAYERS
EXTRA HAT, GLOVES, OVER MITTS
PUFFY

GROUND PROTECTION – SIT PAD, FULL LENGTH PAD?

ILLUMINATION

SUMMER HEADLAMP

2 AAA, lighter, less lumens

WINTER HEADLAMP

3 AAA, much brighter, longer life



Are you carrying matching spare batteries?

FIRST AID SUPPLIES



FIRE

But ask yourself, can I really make this work?
Should I/we be bringing a stove?



REPAIR/TOOLS/KNIFE

Ever present Swiss Army Knife



Add for winter?

Stretchy ski straps

Bigger multi-tool

Can you fix your snow travel gear – skis, snowshoes



NUTRITION

Food for the day plus -

Extra food

2400 Calories Emergency food



HYDRATION

Water for the day (protection from freezing?)





But if you can't find water, can you melt snow?

EMERGENCY SHELTER

And of course your insulated pad(s) and pack



And whatever else you might build with your shovel.



